

City of Hermosa Beach COVID-19 Daily Update 5:30 p.m. March 20, 2020

Local Updates

- Stay at Home Orders Go Into Effect: Los Angeles County's Safer at Home Order and Gov. Gavin Newsom's Stay at Home Order went into effect today, and the City is seeking compliance from all members of the community. Both orders say residents should stay in their homes except to conduct essential activities or to work in an essential business, such as grocery shopping or health care. The county order also says residents can walk, bike and hike. But they must maintain a minimum distance of 6 feet from individuals who aren't in the same household. City staff from Community Resources and the Police Department will be monitoring the beach, strand, parks and other public places to ensure compliance, with Community Development staff leading efforts to verify nonessential businesses have complied with the orders to close. The City's goal is to inform the public about these restrictions. Please assist our staff by educating family, friends and neighbors who may not know the rules yet rather than overburdening the Hermosa Beach Police Department with calls about minor violations. Working together, we can help slow the spread of COVID-19.
- **Pier Closure Planned:** Hermosa Beach is joining other beachfront communities in closing its pier to the public on Saturday morning to help slow the spread of COVID-19.
- **Volleyball Nets Removed:** Volleyball on the beach is prohibited because of the potential of spreading COVID-19 while playing. The volleyball nets on the beach were removed to ensure compliance. The City asks volleyball players not to hang personal nets until further notice.
- City Council Meetings Now Online: Hermosa Beach City Council will temporarily use an online videoconferencing system for its meetings, beginning Tuesday night. The public can watch on local access channels or on the <u>City's Meeting and Agenda Webpage</u>.
 Community members can comment by phone, e-Comment or in writing. For more information, please see <u>Tuesday Night's Agenda</u> and this <u>Press Release</u>.
- April Programs Canceled: To protect public health and comply with the safer at home orders, the City has extended the cancellation and postponement of City-sponsored, nonessential community programs, classes and events it canceled and postponed in through the end of April. The City will re-evaluate this decision at the end of April.

• L.A. County Provides Quarantine Center: Los Angeles County officials today announced a new Pomona quarantine center for COVID-19 patients at the Pomona Sheraton Fairplex Hotel, which will be used as temporary housing for COVID-19 patients. Officials also urged private businesses to volunteer available spaces to serve as similar temporary housing.

State & Federal Updates

- Tax Day Postponed to July 15: According to a <u>Tweet</u> from Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, the Federal Government is moving both tax payments and tax filing from April 15 to July 15 to give taxpayers and businesses additional time to file and make payments without incurring interest or penalties. Previously, only payments were delayed but not the filing of the forms.
- Stay at Home Order Updates: Following up on yesterday's Stay at Home Order, Governor Newsom has released additional resources further explaining the decision and its ramifications. These resources include a list of Frequently Asked Questions and a video link to Newsom's original address.
- International Travel Updates: President Donald Trump issued a <u>Joint Statement</u> with the government of Mexico and another <u>Joint Statement</u> with the government of Canada to restrict all nonessential travel across the United States' southern and northern borders. The Department of State is also advising U.S. citizens to avoid all international travel due to the global impact of COVID-19.

Latest Facts & Figures

Area	Reported COVID-19 Diagnoses	Reported Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	Source
United	15,219	201	https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cas
States			<u>es-in-us.html</u>
California	1,006	19	https://covid19.ca.gov/
(as of 3/19)			
LA County	292	2	http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Cor
			onavirus/
Hermosa	0	0	http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/publ
Beach			ic/media/mediapubhpdetail.cfm?prid=2274

Information Sources

The City has limited public access to City Offices and the Community Center. It also has canceled major events and most City-sponsored programs. The City has created a list of Hermosa Beach cancellations, postponements and closures.

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Information & Updates	
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Hermosa Beach City School District	https://www.hbcsd.org/
LA County Department of Health	www.cdph.ca.gov
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	www.cdc.gov
LA County Fire Department	https://www.fire.lacounty.gov/
LA County Health and Human Services	Call 2-1-1